

# ① Abducted ex-provost killed in crossfire between kidnappers, vigilante in Kogi

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A former provost, Kogi State College of Education Technical, Kabba, Chief Julius Oshadumo, has been killed in a crossfire between kidnappers and vigilante who were on a rescue mission in a forest located at Ogori-Magongo in Kogi State.

He was abducted by gunmen about two weeks ago in ECWA Church Okedayo, Kabba, during a Sunday service where one person was killed while three were kidnapped.

He was the pioneer provost of the college and during the attack, his wife and other worshipers were shot by the kidnappers.

It was gathered that the

vigilante group had trailed the kidnappers to a forest around Ogori community in the state and engaged the abductors in a gun duel.

But Oshadumo was felled by stray bullets.

His body, which was recovered by the vigilante, had already been deposited at the Ogori General Hospital.

The wife and the other worshipers, who were shot during the Sunday service, are still recuperating in an undisclosed hospital in the state.

Effort to confirm the report from the state police command public relations officer, DSP William Ayah, proved abortive as he did not answer calls put through to him.